

## DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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19829/MPW

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I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled SELF-PENETRATING FASTENING DEVICE, the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

☒ was filed on 21 Sept 1994 as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number PCT/EP94/03159 and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed

P 43 33 052.5  
(Number)

Germany  
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☒ Yes ☐ No

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